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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

**United States of America, *ex rel.*,
Samantha Gates, Curtis Moore, and
Vanessa Pawlak,**

Plaintiffs,

vs.

Centria Healthcare, Et. Al.

Defendants.

Case No.: 4:19-cv-10941-SDD-DRG
(D. Ct. Judge, Hon. Stephanie Dawkins -Davis)
(Magistrate, Hon. David R. Grand)

**Stipulation to Extend Defendants' Time
to Answer, Move, or Otherwise
Respond to the Complaint, and
Proposed Order**

**STIPULATION TO EXTEND DEFENDANTS' TIME TO ANSWER, MOVE, OR OTHERWISE
RESPOND TO THE COMPLAINT, AND PROPOSED ORDER**

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2019, Plaintiffs/Relators filed a complaint under seal, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3730(b)(2) (Dkt. No., 1) ("Complaint"); and

WHEREAS, on December 9, 2019, Plaintiff, the United States of America, filed a Notice of Election to Decline Intervention, through Assistant United States Attorney, Jonny Zajac (Dkt. No., 8); and

WHEREAS, on December 30, 2019, the Honorable District Judge, Sean F. Cox, issued an order unsealing the Complaint (Dkt. No., 9); and

WHEREAS, on February 3, 2020, counsel for Defendants returned to Plaintiffs/Relators' counsel, signed waivers of summons/service, accepting service on behalf of all Defendants;

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED by and between the parties hereto through their respective attorneys, that Defendants, Centria Healthcare, Scott Barry, Alicia Kidwell, Kyle Kidwell, Richard Loewenstein, Steven Merahn, M.D., Mark Mitchell, Michelle Carter Pierce, Darren Schwartz, Jeffrey Steigerwald, and Chris Wilcox, will have additional time within which to answer, move, or otherwise respond to Plaintiff/Relators' Complaint.

Therefore, the last day for Defendants to answer, move or otherwise respond to Plaintiffs/Relators' Complaint is **Wednesday, April 1, 2020**.

Dated: February 5, 2020

THE HEALTH LAW PARTNERS, P.C.

/s/ Abby Pendleton

Abby Pendleton, Attorney for Defendants
Centria Healthcare, Scott Barry, Alicia
Kidwell, Kyle Kidwell, Richard
Loewenstein, Steven Merahn, M.D., Mark
Mitchell, Michelle Carter Pierce, Darren
Schwartz, Jeffrey Steigerwald, and
Chris Wilcox

Dated: February 5, 2020

BROWN, LLC

/s/ Jason Brown

Jason T. Brown, Attorney for
Plaintiffs/Relators United States of
America ex rel., Samantha Gates, Curtis
Moore and Vanessa Pawlak

ORDER

Pursuant to the parties' stipulation, IT IS SO ORDERED. Defendants shall answer, move, or otherwise respond to Plaintiffs/Relators complaint on or before Wednesday, April 1, 2020.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: _____, 2020

Honorable Stephanie Dawkins -Davis
United States District Court Judge

PROOF OF SERVICE
STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF OAKLAND

At the time of service, I was over 18 and **not a party to this action**. I am employed in the County of Oakland, State of Michigan. My business address is 32000 Northwestern Highway, Suite 240, Farmington Hills, Michigan, 48334.

On February 5, 2020, I served true copies of the foregoing document(s) described as **Stipulation to Extend Defendants' Time to Answer, Move, or Otherwise Respond to the Complaint, and Proposed Order**

on the interested parties:

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct and that I am employed in the office of a member of the Bar of this Court at whose direction the service was made.

Executed on February 5, 2020, at Farmington Hills, Michigan.

/s/ Abby Pendleton
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